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# DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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IN THE MATTER of the Application of the TOWN OF ALBERTON For Authority To Adopt Increased Water Rates.

UTILITY DIVISION DOCKET NO. 80.7.71 DEFAULT ORDER NO. 4722a

On July 9, 1980, the Town of Alberton (Applicant) filed an application with the Montana Public Service Commission for an order authorizing the Applicant to increase its water rates to provide additional revenue to defray increased costs of operation, to maintain, repair, and improve the water utility facitlities.

### FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On December 10, 1980, the Town of Alberton filed a Second Amendment to Resolution Number 109 rescinding the Special Conditions portion which states: "A ten percent late charge will be assessed if payment is not made within the next billing quarter."

#### CONCLUSION OF LAW

1. The Commission has jurisdiction over parties and proceedings in this matter.

#### ORDER

1. IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Special Conditions portion which states: "A ten percent late charge will be

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assessed if payment is not made within the next billing quarter", as authorized in Order No. 4722, is rescinded.

DONE IN OPEN SESSION in Helena, Montana on December 19, 1980, by a 5 - 0 vote.

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BY ORDER OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION.

Gordon E. Bollinger, Chairman

Clyde Jarvis, Commissioner

Thomas J. Schneider, Commissioner

Formes Commissioner

George Turman, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Madeline L. Cottrill

Secretary

(SEAL)

NOTE: You may be entitled to judicial review of the final decision in this matter. If no Motion for Reconsideration is filed, judicial review may be obtained by filing a petition for review within thirty (30) days from the service of this Order. If a Motion for Reconsideration is filed, a Commission order is final for purposes of appeal upon the entry of a ruling on that motion, or upon the passage of ten (10) days following the filing of that motion. cf. the Montana Administrative Procedure Act, esp. Sec. 2-4-702, MCA; and Commission Rules of Practice and Procedure, esp. 38-2.4806, ARM.